

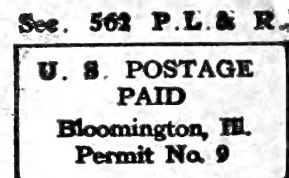
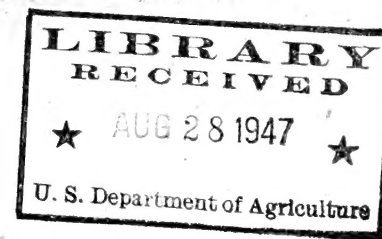
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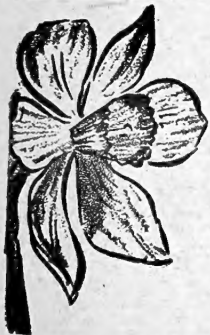
# OWEN NURSERY

## FALL CATALOG

Save It For Future Reference  
PLANT NOW FOR BENEFITS GALORE  
NEXT SEASON

Here are listed at unusually attractive prices the most popular items in this great nursery. You will find dozens of things that you have always wanted but they were either too expensive or too hard to find. This is your opportunity to get them at important savings. Read this big catalog carefully—check what you want, and order NOW!

**REFERENCES:** The People's Bank of Bloomington, Illinois, will be glad to tell you about the James W. Owen Nursery. This is a long established reliable concern, thoroughly interested in having your valuable patronage, not just for one order, but for year after year.



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The Most Beautiful Of All!

Lovely yellow trumpet-shaped daffodils imported direct from Holland. This is one of Owen special assortments of gorgeous bright yellow blooms with golden center. Easy to grow. Plant now for lovely blooms early in the Spring. Special price.

12 for  
**\$1.50**  
100 for \$10.00

## INDOOR OUTDOOR BULB GARDEN

For Living Room or Garden



You can have fragrant beauty growing in your home this Winter, in water. Then soil-plant them outdoors next Spring for years of enjoyment. You get 4 hardy bulbs: Lovely giant mixed color Amyrillis—8" flowers; Dainty Paper White Narcissus; Colorful Yellow Narcissus; Mammoth Imported Dutch Hyacinth. Easy to grow. Require no attention. **SEND NO MONEY.** Pay postman only \$1.00 plus C.O.D. charges. 2 gardens for \$1.50; 3 for \$2.25. Cash orders prepaid. **GIVEN:** Ornamental Sea Shells and Pebbles. 100% satisfaction money back guarantee. Return at once if not pleased.

Only

**\$1**

Order Blank On Inside.

**2 for \$1.50 - 3 for \$2.00**

## GIANT TULIP BULBS

● Prize Winning Quality!  
● Outstanding Colors!  
● Thousands Sold!

Your garden can be a blaze of color next Spring with these gorgeous giant tulips! Do not confuse these with the ordinary tulip bulbs. These are of prize winning quality in rich and colorful blendings. Imported direct from Holland. Your choice of colors or mixed yellow, white, bronze, purple, light pink, deep pink, orchid, rose, light red and blood red.

1 Doz. **\$1.50**  
100 for \$10.00

## SPRING CROCUS SPECIAL!

Sturdy—Blooms Freely!

25

For

**\$1.50**

One of the finest Spring flowers. 25 beautiful heart-warming Spring Crocus Special! Perfectly hardy and easy to grow. Plant in Fall for lovely flowers in the Spring. Place your order early. Use handy order blank on inside.



New, Complete

## OUTDOOR BULB GARDEN

100 Bulbs  
For Only

**\$7.50**

Highest quality. Top size—imported Holland bulbs.

12 Giant Holland Tulips, mixed colors, \$1.50 value.

6 Giant Holland Hyacinths. Regular \$1.50 value.

25 Spring Crocus. \$1.50 value.

12 Lovely Mixed Daffodils. Regular \$1.50 value.

25 Grape Hyacinths. \$1.50 value.

20 Glory of the Snow. Regular \$1.50 value.

## EARLY REGAL LILY BULBS

For Garden Beauty

No flower grows easier or produces more blooms than these lovely, fragrant, pink-throated Regal Lilies. Grow in any soil. Positively guaranteed to bloom next year. Continue to bloom year after year. Giant 6" to 7" top size bulbs, 3 for \$1; 6 for \$1.75; 12 for \$3.25. **SEND NO MONEY.** Pay postman C.O.D.. Cash orders prepaid. **GIVEN** with \$1.75 orders: "Million Dollar" Mystery Bloom Peony, \$1 value. Use handy order blank inside.

3 for  
**\$1**



## GORGEOUS HOLLAND HYACINTHS

● Huge, Sturdy, Beautifull  
● Unequaled for Their Fragrance!  
● Magnificent Shades!

Six Giant Imported Holland Hyacinths for beauty and fragrance. Ideal for either mass planting or as a colorful border. Pale blues, delicate pinks, golden yellows, deep rich blues, pure whites and blush rose, lavender and pink. This is one of the most beautiful and fragrant flowers in the Spring. Order now for Spring blooms!

6 **\$1.50**  
For  
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# Beautiful HOUSE PLANTS!

## Do You Have Droopy House Plants?

Your house plants will get new life, vigor from a vitamin rich soil that is 1/2 peat moss, 1/2 sand and 1/3 leaf mold. You can get it from us especially balanced to give the highest amount of food, yet not "burn" plants. Ideal for re-potting ivy, African violets, vines and other plants. Will not bake and pack like ordinary pot soil. 3 lbs. \$1.00; 5 lbs. \$1.50; 10 lbs. \$2.50. Sent C.O.D. plus postage or cash orders prepaid.

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Owen's "Giant Wonder." Actually 2' to 3' long now, and will grow more. 3 plants to pot ..... **\$1.50**

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Very scarce. Fine large heavy plants. 1 1/2' to 2' long ..... **\$1.50**

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Requires no sunlight. Very hardy. 12" to 24" long. 3 to 5 stems in pot ..... **\$1.50**

### HARDY VINES

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**BOSTON IVY**—One of the best climbers. Clings to walls.  
**CLEMATIS**—Large, flowering, beautiful. Various colors. Blooms profusely.  
**HONEYSUCKLE**—(Gold Flame). Huge trumpet-shaped flowers of flame with gold.



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One of the most hardy of magnolias! Mammoth rose-colored blossoms resemble a cup and saucer of flower petals. Blooms in early Spring before leaves appear, when quite small. 3' to 4' size. Balled and burlaped. Sent express collect.

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(Snowball)

Large, heavy 2 ft. to 4 ft. high, 4 yr. plants. Pink. Flowers are extra large, white at first turning to a pretty pinkish purple, and later on in the Fall to a perfect bronze. Fine for Winter bouquet. Bloom July to October. **\$1.50** Ea.

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Small, shapely trees, which bloom early in Spring before leaves appear. Flowers are deep rose color, and clothe the entire tree thickly. Large, exotic leaves very ornamental. Used as lawn specimens, in groups, shrub borders, and for naturalizing. Stands "wet feet." Blooming size, \$1.50, Postpaid. **\$1.50** Ea. 2 for \$2.75

## LOMBARDY POPLAR

4' to 6' tall graceful upright growth. Ideal for planting in narrow spaces, ideal for screen. Will grow up to 50' high. This size Poplar is frequently sold from \$2 to \$2.50. James W. Owen Nursery's highest quality Lombardy Poplar is only

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GOLDEN BELL

There are several varieties of Golden Bell but this is the finest of them all. The first shrub to bloom in Spring, its bright yellow flowers light up the entire yard. Grows 5 to 6 ft. tall and succeeds everywhere. Their bloom bids goodbye to Winter and greets Spring with a bright cheerful welcome. 3' to 5' plant.

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Graceful, Ornamental

Easiest shade tree to grow that there is. Beautiful yellow-green foliage gives lacy effect. Exceptionally strong, hardy, graceful tree. Ideal for putting in a vacant spot in your yard. Grows rapidly. 4' to 6' high.

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10 Piece

Your Chance To Beautify Your Yard at Far Less Than Expected! Here's What You Get:

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You can do wonders in your front yard with this beautiful group. 10 big hardy 8 to 10 yr. old Evergreens. Transplanted 3 times... triple planting is the mark of a very good Evergreen, accustomed to being moved. It assures you success. **FREE** Planting Book gives step-by-step instructions... we also include 2 extra Evergreens as sort of an insurance policy (see "Guarantee"). Very fine quality. **TERMS:** Cash orders shipped express collect or sent C.O.D. plus shipping charges upon receipt of \$5 deposit. Our money back guarantee protects you. If at time of shipment we are out of any of these named varieties we will substitute in equal or better size and quality.

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AT LOW PRICES:

**WEIGELA EVA RATHKE**—Rich ruby-like blossoms in great abundance. 18-24 in. **\$1 ea.; 2 for \$1.75; 5 for \$4**

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**CRANBERRY, HIGH BUSH**—Beautiful, tall, spreading plant with berries. 6 to 10' at maturity. Sun or shade. 2-3'. **\$1 ea.; 2 for \$1.75; 5 for \$4**

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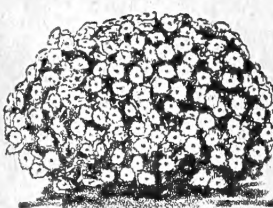
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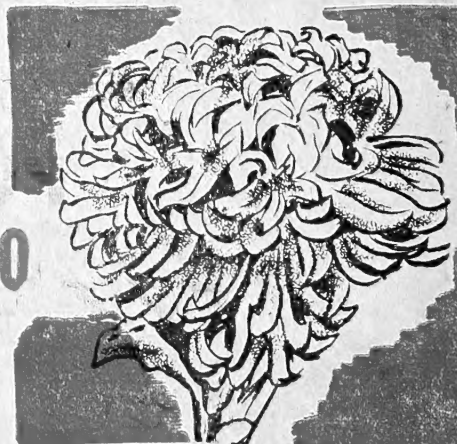
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Have Something Blooming All Summer Long

Here is a group of perennials at a low price that will give you color and beauty in your garden all Summer long. Included: Siberian Iris (blooms in May); Delphinium (June); Oriental Poppy (late June); Yellow Daisies (July); Cushion Mums (August); Hardy Aster (Sept.). One each of the above sent for \$1.50; 2 each for \$2.98; 3 for \$2.98. GIVEN with \$2.98 orders or more, one of Owen's famous Gardenia plants, full of buds, blooms and leaves. Regular \$1.50 value. Enjoy the Gardenia in your home this Winter. Plant the perennials now to enjoy all next Summer. Sent C.O.D. plus postage. We pay postage on cash orders. Return at once for refund if not pleased. **\$1.50**

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## PEONIES \$2.50

**Assorted 12 Peonies**

**SPECIAL PEONY OFFER** by the nationally known World's Fair Landscape Gardeners. Our selection of finest reds, whites, pinks. Healthy State Inspected roots. Require little attention. Specially priced. Gorgeous full blooms—of highest quality. Get your order in early!

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**6 Assorted**

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**Best French**—Seashell pink, with pink center.  
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**Very Special \$1.50 Ea.**

## HARDY CARNATION

Take advantage of this Hardy Carnation value now! This beautiful little garden Carnation is the most fragrant flower that blooms in the garden. In bloom all Summer. Ideal for border plant. Makes a beautiful setting with deep blue delphinium! Easy to grow. Red, pink, white and yellow.

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## SPECIAL POTTING SOIL

Your house plants will get new life, vigor from a vitamin rich soil that is 1/2 peat moss, 1/3 sand and 1/3 leaf mold. Specially balanced to give the highest amount of food, yet not "burn" plants. Ideal for re-potting ivy, African violets, vines and other plants. Will not bake and pack like ordinary pot soil. 3 lbs. \$1.00; 5 lbs. \$1.50; 10 lbs. \$2.50. Sent C.O.D. plus postage or cash orders prepaid.

**3 Lbs. \$1.00**

## PLANT STAKES

A real necessity for every gardener. Real BAMBOO Plant Stakes. They are very tough, wiry, long-lasting, painted. Another good feature—they push easily into the ground. These plant stakes will make your gardening easier... neater and more beautiful. 3' or 4' length. 100% satisfaction guaranteed. Return for refund if not entirely pleased.

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Large flowering—double type, field grown, plants that have bloomed. Gorgeous colorings that range from deepest blues, lavenders with pink tints, to the wonderful bi-colorings that rival orchids. Flowering spikes 3' to 5' high. 2" to 3" across. Very resistant from mildew.

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